

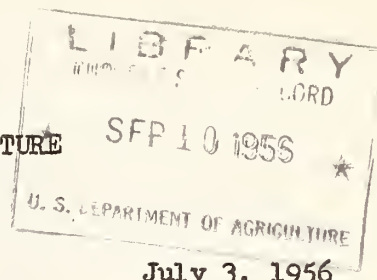
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POULTRY USED IN CANNING AND OTHER PROCESSED FOODS

May 1956

Poultry used in canning and other processed foods in May totaled 17,130,000 pounds ready-to-cook weight, compared with 16,941,000 pounds in May last year. The quantity consisted of 14,748,000 pounds of chicken and 2,382,000 pounds of turkeys. No comparisons with last year are available for the various classes used.

The quantity of poultry certified under Federal inspection during May totaled 87,401,000 pounds compared with 56,921,000 pounds in May a year ago. Of the total 69,325,000 pounds were chickens and other poultry and 18,076,000 pounds were turkeys. During May last year, the quantity of poultry certified consisted of 44,871,000 pounds of chicken and 12,050,000 pounds of turkeys.

Poultry used in canning and other processed foods - 1955-56 ^{1/}
(Ready-to-cook weights)

Months	Young chickens	Mature chickens	Turkeys	Other poultry	Total poultry	
	1956	1956	1956	1956	1955	1956
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
January	962	13,642	1,826	0	14,786	16,430
February	1,680	13,046	2,136	1	12,981	16,863
March	987	12,256	2,126	0	15,406	15,369
April	1,231	12,941	1,777	0	13,598	15,949
May	1,406	13,342	2,382	0	16,941	17,130
June					15,579	
July					9,483	
August					13,401	
September					15,703	
October					18,700	
November					18,694	
December					16,149	
Total					181,721	
Jan.-Apr.						
Incl.					73,712	81,741

^{1/} Includes USDA inspected and other.

Poultry eviscerated under the USDA inspection service
(Ready-to-cook weights)

Months	Total chickens		Total turkeys		Other poultry		Total poultry	
	1955 1/	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
January	34,575	55,385	10,484	10,150		268	45,059	65,803
February	29,727	52,942	2,599	3,358		228	32,326	56,528
March	26,696	51,433	4,187	5,287		318	30,883	57,038
April	36,204	55,117	5,485	5,983		1,865	41,689	62,965
May	44,871	65,769	12,050	18,076		3,556	56,921	87,401
June	53,585		12,751				66,336	
July	55,790		13,855		3,480		73,125	
August	68,460		33,430		3,630		105,520	
September	66,802		56,454		2,529		125,785	
October	78,113		87,184		932		166,229	
November	63,731		101,316		1,622		166,669	
December	54,475		69,589		718		124,782	

Jan.-May Incl.	172,073	280,646	34,805	42,854	---	6,235	206,878	329,735
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1/ Includes an undetermined quantity of other poultry, except turkeys until July 1955.

Poultry eviscerated under USDA inspection service, by classes--1956
(Ready-to-cook weights)

Months	Chickens		Turkeys		
	Young	Mature	Young	Old	Fryer-roaster
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
January	44,603	10,782	8,930	124	1,096
February	42,670	10,272	1,741	295	1,322
March	41,908	9,525	2,428	366	2,493
April	45,113	10,004	1,318	1,769	2,896
May	52,423	13,346	4,697	10,102	3,277
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					